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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.
LONDON.—F. ALGAR, 11, Clement's Lane,
Lombard Street. GEORGE STREET, 30,
Cornhill. GORDON & GORCH, 121, Hol-
born Hill, E.C. BATES BENDY & Co.,
4 Old Jewry, E.C.
AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW
ZEALAND.—GORDON & GORCH, Mel-
bourne and Sydney.
SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports
generally.—WHITE & BAUER, San
Francisco.
CHINA.—SWATOW, DROWN & Co., Amoy.
GILLES & Co., Foochow. THOMSON &
Co., Shanghai. H. POOL & Co., Ma-
nila. C. KADDS & Co., Hongkong.

Arrivals.
March 26, Yesso, British steamer, 580,
Ashford, Foochow 23rd. Amoy 24th, and
Swatow 25th, General.—D. LAPRAIK & Co.
March 26, Freya, N. German barque, 497,
O. Quedens, Cardiff, Nov. 10, 394 tons
Coal.—R. S. WALKER & Co.
March 26, Vikky, Russ. schooner, 43,
Perkins, Yokohama, Mar. 10, Seawood,
Russell & Co.
March 27, Salacia, British barque, 424,
F. Stuart, Yokohama, March 8, Ballant,
GILMAN & Co.
March 27, Nederland, Dutch barque,
670, Van Brun, Sydney, Jan. 30, 700 tons
Coal.—A. NEWTON.

Departures.
March 26, Malacca, for Shanghai.
26, Niger, for Shanghai.
26, Suwayda, for Shanghai.
26, Fung Shuey, for Manila.
26, Kim Yung Tye, for Bangkok.

Passengers.
ARRIVED.—Per Yesso, Madame Reisel
and child; Mons. Pagan, Cath. Bishop,
Friedrich, Messrs Holt, & A. dos Remedios,
Capt. Ullrich, 4 European deck and 160
Chinese.
Per Douglas, 8 Chinese.
Per Alrevida, 85 Chinese.

Shipping Reports.
The North German barque Freya, from
Cardiff, reports fine weather. Crossed the
Equator on 7th Dec. in long. 27 W.; passed
the meridian of the Cape of Good Hope
on 3rd Jan., in lat. 39 S.; made Amsterdam
Island on 20th Jan.; made Sandalwood
Island on 10th Feb.; came to Bombay
on 17th Feb.; from thence to China
sea, had strong North-east wind till arrival
in port on 26th March; 137 days out.
The Brit. barque Alrevida, from Sydney,
reports fine weather and light winds all the
passage. Crossed the line on 3rd March,
in long. 160 42 E.; from thence light winds
till arrival on 26th March. 65 days out.
The S. S. Douglas from Foochow, re-
ports experienced light variable winds and
fine weather all the way down.
S. S. Yesso brings dates, Foochow 23rd,
Amoy 24th, and Swatow 25th inst. Re-
ports str. Formosa in Swatow; experienced
steady N.E. monsoon and thick weather as
far as Amoy; from thence variable winds
and unsettled weather.

The Dutch barque Nederland, from Syd-
ney, reports the first part of passage had
fine weather; latter part had variable weath-
er and light variable winds. Crossed the
line on 1st March in long. 161 E.; thence
had variable winds and cloudy weather and
rain till arrival in port on 27th March. 56
days out.

New Advertisements.
STEAM TO SHANGHAI.
THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steam-ship
"MADRAS" will leave for the above place, at Noon on
WEDNESDAY, the 31st inst.
W. MACAULAY,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, March 27, 1869. mar31

**FOR SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI AND
HIOGO.**
The Steamship
"BAHAMA,"
will leave for the above ports on
TUESDAY NEXT, the
30th inst., at Noon.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, March 27, 1869. mar30

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.
The Steamship
"YESSO,"
Captain ASHTON, will have
immediate despatch for the
above ports.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, March 27, 1869.

NOTICE.
ALL CLAIMS against the British barque
"Ziba," must be presented on or be-
fore TUESDAY NEXT, the 30th instant,
or they will not afterwards be recognized.
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
Agents British Barque "Ziba."
Hongkong, March 27, 1869. mar30

New Advertisements.
NOTICE.
THE Yearly General MEETING of the
Members of the HONGKONG CLUB,
will be held at the CLUB HOUSE on FRI-
DAY, the second day of April next, at six
P.M.
By order of the Committee,
E. BEART,
Secretary.
CLUB HOUSE,
Hongkong, March 26, 1869. apr2

NOTICE.
IN consequence of the death of Major-
General BAURER, Commanding Troops
in China and Japan, the Amateurs 75th
Regiment beg to announce that the Per-
formances at the Garrison Theatre on
THURSDAY and SATURDAY, the 25th
and 27th inst., are POSTPONED till further
notice.

ARRIVAL OF THE MAIL.
THE LONDON & CHINA EXPRESS
CONTAINS, in addition to the usual
Summary of Home and Foreign News,
a special and detailed account of the AME-
RICAN MAIL ROUTE, via San Francisco and
New York.
J. B. MORRIS,
Agent Queen's Road.
Hongkong, March 25, 1869.

**UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY
OF CANCEN.**

NOTICE.
SHARE No. 156 (Premia contributed
\$6889), has been placed in the hands
of the Society For Sale. Sealed Tenders
for purchase of same, marked "Tender for
Share No. 156," will be received until the
7th April, 1869.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
ROB. WATMORE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, March 24, 1869. 7ap

PILGRIMAGE TO SANJOAN.
THE Very Reverend Monsr. GILBERTIN
having fixed SUNDAY, the 11th
April next, for the consecration of the Chi-
apel erected over the grave of ST. FRANCIS
XAVIER. The steamer will start from
Hongkong, direct to Sanjoan on SATUR-
DAY, the 10th April, at 12 o'clock Noon.
Passage tickets can be obtained from the
Undersigned, price \$5 each. No passenger
will be received on board without a ticket.
J. SOUZA,
Secretary.
Hongkong, March 24, 1869. apr10

NOTICE.
ON and after April 1st, and until further
notice, the retail price of ICE will be
FOUR (4c) CENTS per pound.
H. OHARA,
Agent Tudor Co.
Hongkong, March 23, 1869. ap5

TO LET.
ONE FLOOR of a house in Queen's
Road, well situated.
ROB. S. WALKER & Co.
Hongkong, March 23, 1869.

NOTICE.
SELLING OFF AT COST PRICE.
FOR
ONE MONTH ONLY.
ON and after the 17th proximo, the Store
of the Undersigned will positively be
closed, but in the meantime they offer at
COST PRICE
The whole of their Immense Stock
as follows—

SHIP CHANDLERY.
Russian Rope, Hauling, Marline, Rat-
line, Seizing Stuff, and Hambroline, Mast
Hoops, Jib-Hanks, Emery and Sand Paper,
Hemp and Cotton Canvas, Parcelling, Drill-
ing, Blocks, Brushes of all kinds, Tar,
Varnish, Leather and Canvas Hose.
OILMAN'S STORES.
Pickles, Mustard, Sage, Arrowroot, Ta-
pion, Pearl Barley, Raisins, Capers, Chut-
ney, and Curry-Powder, Sausages, and
Chutneys, Cream Tartar, Soda, Saleratus,
Coffees, Sugar, Milk, Flavoring Extracts,
Essence of Jamaica Ginger, Bologna Saus-
ages, Game Pies, Hominy, Preserved
Meats, Soups, Fruits, and Vegetables.
**CARPENTERS AND ENGINEERS'
TOOLS & STORES.**
Aussers, Chisels, Gouges, Files, Screws,
(Iron and Brass) Hammers, Hatchets, Axes,
Adzes, Saws, Planes, Hinges, Trysquares,
Compasses, Screw Drivers, Braces and
Bits, Hump, Rubber and Tuck's Packing,
Anvils, Emery Powder, Tube Brushes,
Bolting, Taps and Dies, Water and Gauge
Cocks, Boiler Plates.

IRONMONGERY.
Ship and House Cooking Stoves, Parlor
Grates, Saucepans, Handfuls, Loaves of all
kinds, Shovels, Spades,
FAIRBANK'S PLATFORM SCALES.
IRON SAFES.
Painted, Glass and Crockery WARE.
Sherry and Port WINES.
BRANDY and WHISKEY in bottles and
casks.
GIN, RUM, LIQUEURS and RHINE
WINES.
ALE & PORTER.
Sundry other GOODS.
CHARTS at \$0.50 each.
THOS. HUNT & Co.
Hongkong, March 17, 1869. apr17

New Advertisements.
**UNION DOCK COMPANY OF HONG-
KONG & WHAMPOA, LIMITED.**
NOTICE.
THE Company's OFFICES are this day
REMOVED to the Ground Floor of
Messrs ROBERT S. WALKER & Co.'s House
at the corner of Ice House Street.
Hongkong, March 19, 1869. ap19

**HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY, IN LIQUIDATION.**
NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.
WITH a view to the apportionment of
the Reserve Third of Profits, Share-
holders are requested to furnish the under-
signed on or before the 1st April next,
with a MEMORANDUM of the Profits con-
tributed by them to the above Company.
JARDINE, MATHEWSON & Co.,
Liquidators.
Hongkong, March 13, 1869. apr1

**THE next General MEETING of the
Members of the MOPANSON EXHIBITION
SOCIETY, will be held in the London Mis-
sion House, on the 30th March, at 3 P.M.
D. B. MORRIS,
Secretary.
Hongkong, March 1, 1869. mar30**

**F. A. WHEELER,
HAIR CUTTER & HAIR DRESSER,
26, Queen's Road,
(Opposite LANE & CRAWFORD'S)
Hongkong, March 19, 1869. 7p**

NOTICE.
ESTATE OF DENT & Co.
Second DIVIDEND of Five per cent
upon the amount of all claims admit-
ted by the Trustees will be paid on the
15th May next.
On application to Mr G. OVERBERG,
at the Office of the Trustees, No. 7, Ped-
der's Hill, Creditors will be furnished with
Warrants signed by the Trustees, which
will be payable at the Office of the HONG-
KONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORA-
TION.
Hongkong, March 2, 1869. jun2

Auctions.
PUBLIC AUCTION.
THE Undersigned has received in-
structions to sell by Public Auction,
on
TUESDAY,
the 6th day of April, 1869, at Noon, on
the Premises—
Those Lots of Land, situate in Queen's
Road East, and registered in the Land
Office, as—
Inland Lot No. 526, containing in the
whole 8000 square feet,
Inland Lot No. 517, containing in the
whole 4000 square feet, together with
the substantially built granite Godown
erected thereon.
For further particulars, apply to the
Undersigned.
TERMS OF SALE.—One half of the pur-
chase money to be paid on the fall of the
hammer, the balance on completion of
the deeds of transfer, the expenses of
which to be paid by the purchaser.
Property to be at the risk of the pur-
chaser from the fall of the hammer.
J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, March 20, 1869. ap6

PUBLIC AUCTION.
THE Undersigned has received in-
structions from the Mortgagee to
sell by Public Auction, on
WEDNESDAY,
the 31st day of March, 1869, at Noon,
on the Premises, under the power of sale
contained in the deed of Mortgage—
Inland Lot No. 613, with the 4 Chi-
nese Houses thereon, situate in First
Street near the Sympingoo Market.
Also, immediately after, will be sold
on the premises—
Remaining portion of Inland Lot No.
701, with the 7 Chinese Houses thereon,
situate in Pound Lane, Tai Pingshan.
Section 8 of Inland Lot No. 500, with
the 2 Chinese Houses thereon, situate in
Pound Lane, Tai Pingshan.
Section 1 of Inland Lot No. 596, with
the 2 Chinese Houses thereon, situate in
Market Street, Tai Pingshan.
Inland Lot No. 243 F, with the 2
Chinese Houses thereon, situate in East
Street, Tai Pingshan, immediately ad-
joining the Market.
For further particulars, apply to the
Auctioneer, or to Mr EDMUND SHARP,
Solicitor.
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purchaser from the fall of the hammer.
J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, March 19, 1869. mar31

PUBLIC AUCTION.
THE Undersigned has received in-
structions to sell by Public Auction,
on
TUESDAY,
the 30th March, 1869, at 10 o'clock
A.M.,—
The whole of their HOUSE-
HOLD FURNITURE, mostly
of English and Bombay manu-
facture, comprising: Marble-top
Tables, Marble-top Side boards,
with Plate Glass Panels, 1 large-
sized Wardrobe in English Ma-
hogany with Plate Glass Pan-
els, Marble-top Washstands
and Toilet Tables, Handsomely
Carved Bombay Wood Book
Cases and Tables, Mirrors in
gilt Frames, Electro Plated
Ware, richly Cut Glassware,
very handsome Engravings, a
Set of FINE CELEBRATED
COACHING SCENES AND SPORTING
PICTURES—English Conches in
Morocco, Iron Bedsteads, Ele-
gant Chandeliers with Crystal
Draperies. A magnificent Sweet-
toned Pianoforte, by BROAD-
WOOD,
etc., etc., etc.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before
delivery in Mexican Dollars
weighed at 7.1.7. Intending
Purchasers will kindly take no-
tice that all Lots must be cleared
immediately after the sale.
Catalogues will be issued, and
the Furniture will be on view
after 12 o'clock Noon on Mon-
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**SALE WILL COMMENCE
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Hongkong, March 20, 1869.

Auctions.
PUBLIC AUCTION.
THE Undersigned has received in-
structions to sell by Public Auction,
on
SATURDAY,
the 3rd April, 1869, at 12 o'clock, Noon,
at his Sales Rooms, Commercial Bank
Buildings—
All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND,
situate at Pokfulum and registered in
the Land Office as Farm Lot No. 29.
The Lot contains in the whole ten
and a quarter acres.
After which and at the same time and
place, will be sold, all those Lots of
Land situate at Sowkewan and regis-
tered in the Land Office as Inland Lots
No. 105 con'g in the whole 3000 sq. feet
"106 " " 3000 sq. feet
"107 " " 9000 sq. feet
"108 " " 3000 sq. feet
"118 " " 2500 sq. feet
"157 " " 4000 sq. feet
For further particulars apply to the
Undersigned.
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chase money to be paid on the fall of the
hammer, and the balance on completion of
the deeds of transfer. All expenses of
transfer to be paid by the Purchaser.
Property to be at the risk of the Pur-
chaser from the fall of the hammer.
J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, March 12, 1869. apr13

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have
received instructions to sell by
Public Auction, at Noon, on
TUESDAY,
the 13th April, at DUANE, the residence
of C. F. MACLEAN, Esq., The whole of
the FURNITURE, CHIEFLY ENGLISH
MADE, comprising—
Cupboards, Easy Chairs, Tables, Mar-
quette Cabinets, Gilt Mirrors, Corni-
ces, Writing Tables, Whatnots, Puni-
kalis, Iron Bedsteads with Spring Mat-
resses, Wardrobes with Plate Glass
Doors, Dressing Tables, Washstands,
Etc., Etc.
Silver and Plated Ware, China and
Glassware, etc., etc.
A Semi-Grand Piano by BROADWOOD,
(made expressly for this climate).
A Sewing Machine (WHEELER and
WILSON).
A large-size Magic Lantern, complete.
A Fine Californian Cow.
A set Double-harness, nearly new.
Also,
One Billiard Table (LAZARUS & Co.),
with Fittings, Benches, etc., complete.
TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery
in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.
All lots, with all faults and errors of
description, at Purchaser's risk on the
fall of the hammer.
Hongkong, March 23, 1869. apr13

PUBLIC AUCTION.
BOWRA & Co., will sell by
Public Auction at their
Praya Residence, on
TUESDAY,
30th March, 1869, at 10 o'clock
A.M.,—
The whole of their HOUSE-
HOLD FURNITURE, mostly
of English and Bombay manu-
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PUBLIC AUCTION.
THE Unders

NOTICE.
COMPAGNIE DES SERVICES MARITIMES DES MESSAGERIES IMPERIALES.
PAQUEBOTS POSTES FRANÇAIS.
STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ,
ALEXANDRIA, MESSINA,
MARSEILLES.
Also,
BOMBAY, PONDICHERRY, MADRAS,
AND CALCUTTA.

THE Company's Steamship "DONNA" will leave this Port for the above places, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIES, and CARGO, on TUESDAY, the 30th Instant, at 10 AM.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London, as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 P.M. of the 29th Instant, Specie and Parcels until 5 P.M. of the 29th Instant. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)

For Particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply at the Company's Office, HONGKONG, CONTENTS AND VALUE OF PACKAGES ARE REQUIRED.

C. BERTRAND, Principal Agent.
Hongkong, March 6, 1869.

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Insurances.

OCEAN MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY.
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CAPITAL, £1,000,000.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company are prepared to accept Marine risks and issue Policies at current rates.

AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.
Hongkong, June 6, 1867.

PHENIX FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.
INCORPORATED IN ENGLAND.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company at this Port, are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of £40,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein.

DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, September 28, 1868.

NORTH CHINA INSURANCE CO.
INCORPORATED IN ENGLAND.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed Agents for the above Company at the Ports of Tientsin and Kaifu, are prepared to grant Policies of Marine Insurance at current rates.

DODD & Co.
Tientsin, 10th August, 1868.

IMPERIAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.
INCORPORATED IN ENGLAND.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company at this Port, are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of £40,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
Hongkong, August 24, 1864.

NOTICE.
IMPERIAL FIRE OFFICE.

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Above 3 months and not exceeding 6 months, do.

Above 6 months, the full annual rate.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents, Imperial Fire Insurance Company,
Hongkong, April 7, 1868.

IMPERIAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.
INCORPORATED IN ENGLAND.

REDUCTION IN THE RATES OF PREMIUM. UNTIL further notice the following Annual Rates will be charged for Fire Insurances, viz:—

Detached and Semi-detached Dwelling Houses removed from the Town, and their Contents, 1/2 per cent.

Other Dwelling Houses used strictly as such, and their Contents, 1/2 per cent.

Godowns, Offices, Shops, &c. and their Contents, 1 per cent.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents, Imperial Fire Insurance Company,
Hongkong, March 6, 1866.

BOMBAY INSURANCE COMPANY AND FORBES & CO'S CONSTITUENTS INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Companies are prepared to accept Risks on the usual terms.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
Hongkong, February 26, 1868.

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

REDUCTION IN THE RATES OF PREMIUM. Detached and semi-detached Dwelling Houses removed from town, and their Contents, 1/2 per cent.

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Godowns, Offices, Shops, &c. and their Contents, 1 per cent.

GILMAN & Co.,
Agents North British and Mercantile Insurance Company,
Hongkong, March 9, 1866.

NOTICE.
NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

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ESTABLISHED 1809.
CAPITAL £2,000,000.
ACCUMULATED FUNDS £2,233,927.

ANNUAL REVENUE £497,268.

THE Undersigned Agents at Hongkong for the above Company are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE, to the extent of £10,000 on any Building, or on Merchandise in the same.

GILMAN & Co.
Hongkong, June 21, 1864.

Insurances.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company at Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai and Hankow, and are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, October 14, 1868.

NOTICE.
MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

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Miscellaneous

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Kanagawa, Yedo bay, Hakodadi, an engraving of the Coins of Japan, and a chart showing the Ocean steam route of the world.
December 27, 1867.

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EXTRACTS FROM REVIEWS.

(From the "Straits Times," July 27, 1866.)

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cept of a Hongkong publication which
deserves some notice and which we
much pleasure in introducing to the know-
ledge of our readers. We allude to *Nature*
and *Queries on 'China and Japan*, published
monthly by Mr Saint, the proprietor of the
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China, that such a publication as this
should be established and conducted with
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